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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Reforming The UC

MR Brook Bernacchi will probably capture a substantial measure of public sympathy for his efforts to obtain financial powers for the Urban Council and his proposals to reform its constitution. He is advocating three innovations: firstly, that the Urban Council should have control of revenue raised from rates, licences and other fees; secondly, to enlarge the number of elected councillors from two to six; thirdly to consider measures for enlarging the electoral register. In presenting these measures for debate, Mr Bernacchi is fulfilling part of the Reform Club's programme which it advocated during the recent Urban Council election campaign, and it can be regarded as indicative of the serious intentions of the Club that their principal nominee has lost no time in bringing forward these issues.

THE motion providing the Urban Council with financial independence is expected to be debated this afternoon, and it will be of interest to see how many members of the Council are prepared to advance definite views on the subject. The opportunity exists for a lively and informative exchange of opinions. To the Council the subject of possessing funds for administration in the interests of the public is of prime importance, and Mr Bernacchi's proposal is particularly intriguing in that, if approved, it will cut clean across the long-established policy of all official income being placed to general revenue for subsequent disbursement as approved by the Financial Secretary and the Treasury. The official attitude to the proposition cannot be anticipated, but we imagine Urban Council members generally will view it with sympathy, probably with enthusiasm. In principle alone, it is proper that the Council should have revenue at its command for carrying out what it is satisfied are necessary undertakings.

OF the two other motions which Mr Bernacchi intends to introduce at a later date, that referring to the enfranchising of women on Class 2 of the Jurors Lists can hardly meet, with opposition, official or otherwise. Government may consider the proposal to reconstitute the Council with six elected members as rather too rapidly progressive, but again, in principle, it can hardly raise serious objections to the suggestion. While it is true the electoral roll is extremely limited and is scarcely representative of all sections of the community, it is equally pertinent to observe that the functions and status of the Urban Council are also limited. These functions, however, directly affect the daily lives of the Colony generally, and on these grounds, alone the request for the Urban Council to possess an elected majority does not appear to be extravagant. The Council's stiffest hurdle, however, is to secure Government approval of the proposal to delegate its financial powers. If this can be accomplished, the other reforms will become virtually automatic.

### Inebriated Cows

Bombay, June 16. Cows were said to have "danced" about their field near here after drinking large quantities of illicit liquor dumped in a ditch by a raiding Police party. One cow which fell asleep could not be roused until a bucket of cold water was thrown over it.—Reuter.

## Swedes Stone Russian Embassy In Stockholm

### HOSTILE REACTIONS TO ATTACK ON PLANE

#### Proposed S'pore Memorial To Late King George

Singapore, June 17. Some of Singapore's leading residents, including many Chinese, intend formally to propose to the Governor that a modern polytechnic be established in the Colony as a memorial to the late King George VI.

The establishment of such a polytechnic in Singapore has long been advocated to meet the Colony's educational problems.

Mr Yan Pheng Geck, City Councillor, was quoted by the Singapore Standard as saying a polytechnic would be "the most suitable" memorial for the late King because it would not only afford increased educational facilities but would also indirectly assist in the economic development of this country.—Reuter.

#### Germ Warfare Charges

#### MALIK CALLS UN MEETING

United Nations, June 16.

Russia's Jacob Malik today summoned a session of the United Nations Security Council for Wednesday to discuss Communist germ warfare charges.

Mr Malik summoned the session in his capacity as President of the 11-nation group for June. It was his first move since assuming the chairmanship after he had fought a bitter but futile campaign to have the issue discussed before the UN 12-member Disarmament Commission.

The United Nations Department of Security Council Affairs had no definite information immediately on Mr Malik's plan for the meeting.

However, the Soviet delegation confirmed that Mr Malik had called the session and the agenda would be "germ warfare," but for further information the Russian delegation's spokesman referred inquirers to the United Nations.

#### "NEW FORUM"

The United States Ambassador, Mr Ernest Gross, acting United States representative, issued late in the afternoon a statement charging that Mr Malik's move was intended "to continue in a new forum the campaign of lies which charge that the UN is employing bacteria in Korea."

Mr Gross' statement said, "The Soviet resolution speaks of bacteriological warfare, but it is obvious that the purpose is to continue in a new forum the campaign of lies which charge that the United Nations is employing bacteria in Korea."

Soviet leaders are trying to exploit whatever propaganda remains in these false charges. We welcome an opportunity to show up against the Soviet falsehoods."—United Press.

#### Dramatic Experience For Tight-Rope Acrobats

London, June 16. Three Spanish acrobats balanced themselves nearly 51 feet above the ground from a slack tight rope for 20 minutes today—two of them hanging upside down—before they could be rescued.

The acrobats, Miguel, aged 35, Rafael, 34, and Sebastian, 20, who have performed before General Franco, had just opened their first show in Britain at the Battersea Festival Gardens here.

Miguel had ridden a bicycle across a tight rope 90 feet long stretched between two 51 foot high poles. His companions were hanging downwards from trapezes attached to the wheels.

On the return journey, as Miguel was back-pedalling, the rope went slack.

The three artists remained perfectly motionless while they called for help in Spanish.

Stockholm, June 16. Radio police cars were rushed to the Soviet Embassy tonight to restrain angry crowds who began to stone the building in protest against the shooting down by Soviet fighters of a Swedish Air Force Catalina rescue plane over the Baltic early today.

The cars reinforced police guarding the building, armed with pistols and swords.

The stoning climaxed daylong demonstrations.

Captain Sven Goesta Toerngren, 34-year-old Commander of the Catalina, said over the telephone from Hanko, Finland: "We were miles away from Russian territorial waters. The two Russians swooped down on us unexpectedly and fired rounds of machine-guns at us."

"The Catalina reeled like a boxer taking a punch, but kept flying," he said.

"We tried to get away, but the Russians were four times as fast as we. And, of course, they could manoeuvre better. We were a sitting bird for them. They wheeled away and then came back six times more in attacks lasting about ten minutes."

He said their last salvos hit the port motor, setting it in flames. The aircraft began to lose height and became hard to manoeuvre.

"As we sank down towards the water, one of the MiGs peppered our tail as if to make sure we were finished," Captain Toerngren said.

"We steered towards a small ship which proved to be the German steamer Muensterland. The Russians did not seem interested in her. We were obviously their target.

#### DRAMATIC MOMENT

"Some of us held our breath as the plane hit the water. Luckily, it did not break up. We threw out lifeboats and swam to a rubber raft we had dropped. We climbed on, helping up two members of the crew wounded in the arm and the thigh. The Muensterland had to pick us up within five minutes."

Asked why the Catalina was silent after sending out her three dramatic calls, he said: "The second shower of bullets put the radio out of action."

One member of the crew of the downed plane was detained in hospital in Hanko with a thigh wound. It became known here tonight.

The Swedish Defence Minister and high Service chiefs flew into Stockholm tonight and are believed to have been recalled by Premier Tage Erlander for consultation.

The Defence Minister, Mr Torsten Nilsson, with the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, General Nils Svedal, and the Defence Staff Chief, General Joachim Aakerman, arrived from Lulea, north Sweden.

They were met at the airport by General Bengt Nordenskiold, Air Force Commander-in-Chief.

—Reuter.

#### Wave Of Resistance By East Germans

Berlin, June 16. Allied intelligence officials said today that the East German authorities have appealed to Soviet Army units to aid their own security forces to quell a wave of resistance sweeping the Soviet zone.

Refugees said that the closing of regions bordering Western Germany and the drive for remilitarisation had roused resistance among East Germans to its highest pitch since 1946. They said that throughout East Germany security Police stood on guard at all main stations, watching for travellers to Berlin. Those without Government authorisation to visit the capital were either arrested or warned against the attempt.

According to these reports many East Germans along the frontier with West Germany are disobeying evacuation orders.

In the provinces of Thuringia, Saxe-Anhalt and Mecklenburg, East German Police are said to have forcibly evacuated people from the three-mile no-man's land alongside the frontier. Workers in Saxe-Anhalt towns were said to have downed tools as a protest.

Allied sources said that so far Soviet troops had not been involved in quelling the discontent. They believed that the Occupation forces would only be used if scattered resistance showed signs of threatening Soviet lines of communications.

They estimated that 50,000 armed Police were at present handling the situation in the three frontier Provinces.

MANY ARRESTS

Hundreds of arrests were reported by refugees to have been made and many men and women injured by swinging Police rifle-butts. But reports of pitched battles between the Police and evacuees were not confirmed by Allied officials here.

The latest contingent of East German refugees to reach Berlin said that pacifist resistance to East German rearmament plans was also increasing.

Some parents and youth opposing service in the proposed defence units had been arrested in Dresden and members of the Communist-led Free German Youth (FDJ) who did not volunteer were dishonourably discharged from the organisation, one report said. They would lose food ration and work cards.

The postal service between East and West Berlin today ran normally after a dispute last Saturday when East German security Police stopped a mail van and searched it.

WARNING

The East German Premier, Otto Grotewohl, said today that his Government's first task will be to set up a National Army.

He told a convention at Leipzig, according to the East German news agency ADN, "Serious, inexorable political actions must now take the place of political declarations."

The East German party had agreed to this policy in a resolution adopted last week and to be published tomorrow, Dr Grotewohl added.

He cited part of the resolution as reading, "We must be prepared as reading, "We must be prepared to meet the Western aggressors with the rifle in our hands."—Reuter.

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Sergeant Neave, of the Royal Engineers, who has been abroad three and a half years, holds up his three-and-a-half-year-old son, John, whom he was seeing for the first time, when he arrived home from the Far East recently. Sgt. Neave had spent the last year in Korea and returned home on the Empire Trooper.

## Churchill Refuses To Be Drawn On Subject Of Korea

London, June 16.  
The Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, was urged in the House of Commons to call President Syngman Rhee's "bluff" in Korea but he was non-committal.

Mr Woodrow Wyatt, (Labour) said it was clear that President Rhee was doing all he could to prevent the United Nations from ensuring the democratic working of the Constitution in South Korea.

"We must call his bluff," he said.

The British Government ought to take the initiative in seeing that for the period of the election for the National Assembly he was "put out of the way."

Members of the Korean Parliament, who had been arrested or forced to flee, could then be allowed to return to their seats in a constitutional manner "free from duress and the President."

Mr Churchill replied, "I think the official report (of British parliamentary proceedings) will enable your solution of this question to be placed on record and given full publicity."

Sir Herbert Williams (Conservative) asked what responsibility the British Prime Minister had for the Government of South Korea.

CERTAIN RIGHT  
Mr Churchill replied, "I think we went in whole-heartedly and unitedly with the Americans

under the authority of the United Nations and undoubtedly saved President Syngman Rhee and his Government from destruction."

"I think we have a certain right."

Mr. Wyat asked what Mr Churchill had told Earl Alexander, the Defence Minister, now visiting Korea, to say in his discussions with the United Nations Command on President Rhee's "announcement that Rhee was considering the withdrawal of South Korean troops from the front."

Mr Churchill replied that it had been officially stated on behalf of the South Korean Government that President Rhee made no such announcement.

Press comments on the subject were, therefore, purely speculative.

Mr Churchill added, "The Minister of Defence and the Minister of State (Mr Selwyn Lloyd) are, of course, currently informed on the British Government's views on the situation and will no doubt discuss with the United Nations Command the political crisis in South Korea in all its relevant aspects."—Reuters.

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18. F Night Into Morning.  
19. S The Mountainhead.  
20. S The Tales of Hoffmann.  
21. T Valentine & Mistletoe.  
22. T Moonrise.

Meeting For  
First Time

## Eisenhower Prepares For Burst Of Campaigning

New York, June 16.  
General Eisenhower today flew to Denver, Colorado, to open his political headquarters.

He spent the day quietly in preparation for a three-week burst of campaigning right up to the opening of the Republican Convention on July 7.

General Eisenhower promised today at a meeting with editors that, if elected President, he would seek the "finest brains" in the country to help solve America's problems.

The influential Scripps-Howard chain of newspapers today declared support for General Eisenhower. The decision was reached by a vote of the editors.

The World Telegram and the chief New York paper of the chain, said: "He seems to meet the need of the hour best. He may not know too much about politics, but he knows a lot about what is good for the country."

"He has the dynamic leadership which can bring us together again and inspire new faith."

Mr Averell Harriman, Mutual Security Director, conferred today with President Truman.

Asked if he considered what the President said to be an endorsement of his candidacy for the Democratic Presidential nomination, Mr Harriman replied: "No, he simply encouraged me."

Mr Harriman added: "I am the only one who has come out four square on all the issues in support of the New Deal and the Fair Deal."

In Atlanta, Georgia, State Democratic leaders are today choosing delegates to cast 20 votes at their national convention. They are expected to support Senator Russell, the "Southern" candidate.

Georgia Democrats instructed their delegates to vote for Senator Russell.

They were also told to "fight to the last for the rights of Georgia and the South."

This could leave the way open for a breakaway if the National Party in Chicago nominated a candidate unacceptable to the Security Council agenda is expected to be strongly resisted by the Western Powers.

The Soviet Union today called for a meeting of the Security Council to discuss the subject. The President of the Council this month is Mr Jacob Malik, the Soviet delegate.

The Soviet delegation has made repeated attempts to have the matter discussed in the Disarmament Commission, but has generally been ruled out of order.

The United States and other Western Powers have already stated their willingness to have the charges investigated by a neutral commission.

The Soviet charges have so far been based on statements by Chinese and North Korean Communist sources and on the "evidence" of a group of lawyers, mostly affiliated to Communist organizations, who allegedly investigated the charges on the spot.

THE RESOLUTION  
The Soviet Union's resolution submitted for discussion by the Security Council follows:

"Having regard to the fact that differences of opinion exist among statesmen and public figures in various countries concerning the admissibility of using bacteriological weapons;

"Noting that the use of bacteriological weapons had justly been condemned by world public opinion, as expressed in the signature by 42 States of the Genoa Protocol of June 17, 1928, which provides for the prohibition of the use of bacteriological weapons.

"The Security Council decides to appeal to all States, both members of the United Nations and non-member States, which have not yet ratified or acceded to the protocol for the prohibition of the use of bacteriological weapons, signed at Geneva on June 17, 1928, to accede to and ratify the said protocol."—Reuters.

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2. POP WHA'S UP?

3. I'M JUST COME FROM THERE!

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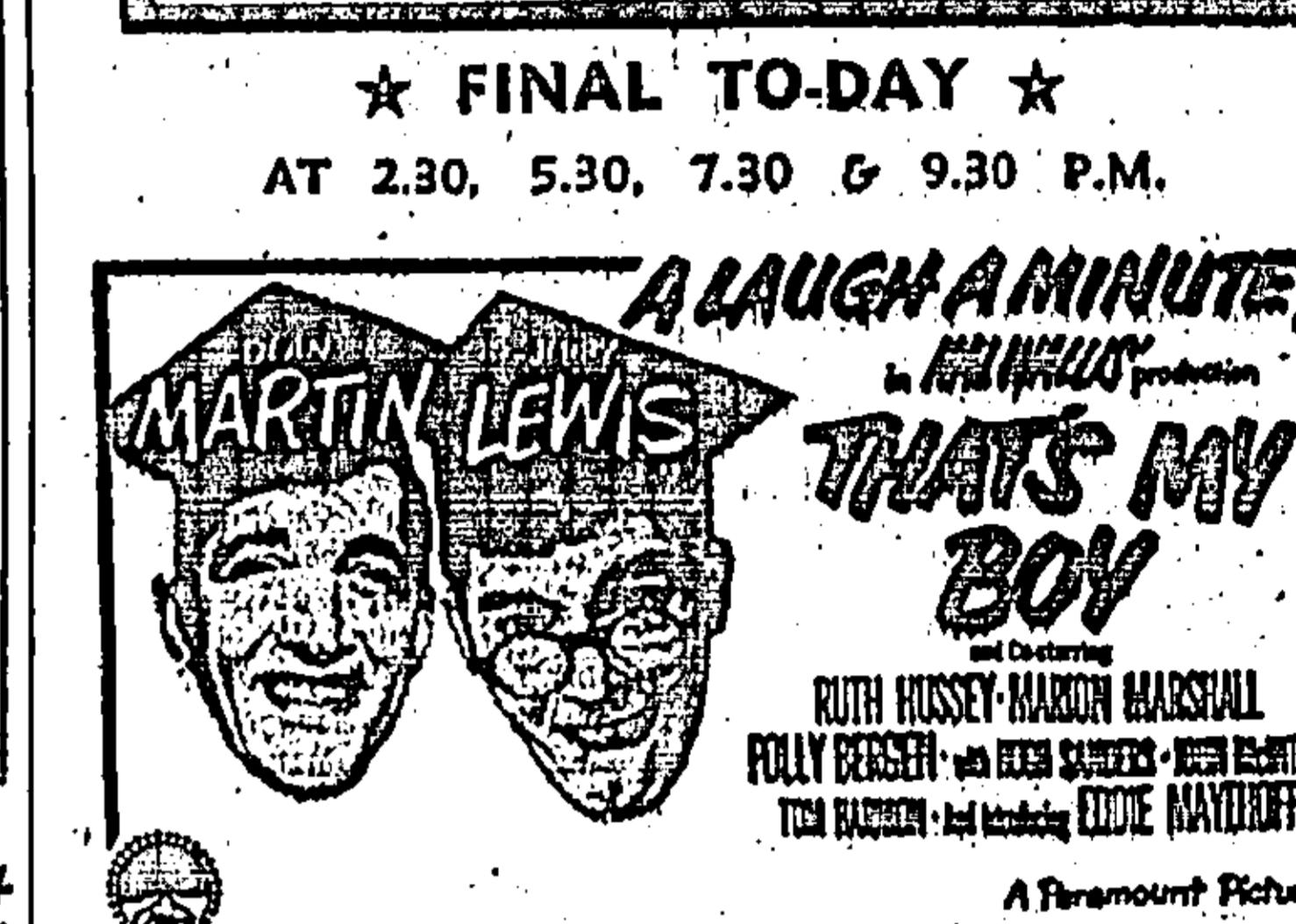
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# AMERICA AGREES TO HOLD MEETING ON GERMAN ISSUE

## Talks On An Ambassadorial Level To Be Suggested

Paris, June 16. The United States has accepted British and French recommendations for a four-power meeting with the Soviet Union at Ambassadorial level.

The Western reply to the latest Soviet note on Germany will contain the suggestion that the meeting should take place in the near future to discuss the setting up of a neutral commission to inquire into conditions for holding free elections in East and West Germany.

French officials said that American reluctance, expressed last week at a meeting of officials of the three Governments to make such a proposal the basis of the Western reply to the Soviet Union, has been overcome.

It had earlier been reported to press these major aims of German foreign policy.

Baring any agreement among Britain, France, the United States and the Soviet Union on uniting the two parts of Germany, the present West Germany Parliament has only a little over a year to run.

Federal elections are due in the summer of 1953.

The position, it is believed in Paris, was discussed at a private lunch given in London today by the French Ambassador, M. René Massigli, for the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden.

Britain is believed to be anxious to overcome any divergence of views between herself and France on the one hand and the United States on the other on the desirability of including an invitation to an early four-power conference on the new Western note.

Britain, it is believed in Paris, would be willing to attend a four-power meeting—but only if the Soviet Government give satisfactory replies on points affecting the holding of free elections throughout Germany.

It still remains doubtful whether the Western reply will be sent to Moscow before the United States Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, visits London for three-power talks next week. — Reuter.

### REVISION ISSUE

Frankfurt, June 16. West German politicians will soon begin their biggest post-war campaign to revise the present frontier between East Germany and Poland following the end of the Western Occupation, independent observers here expect.

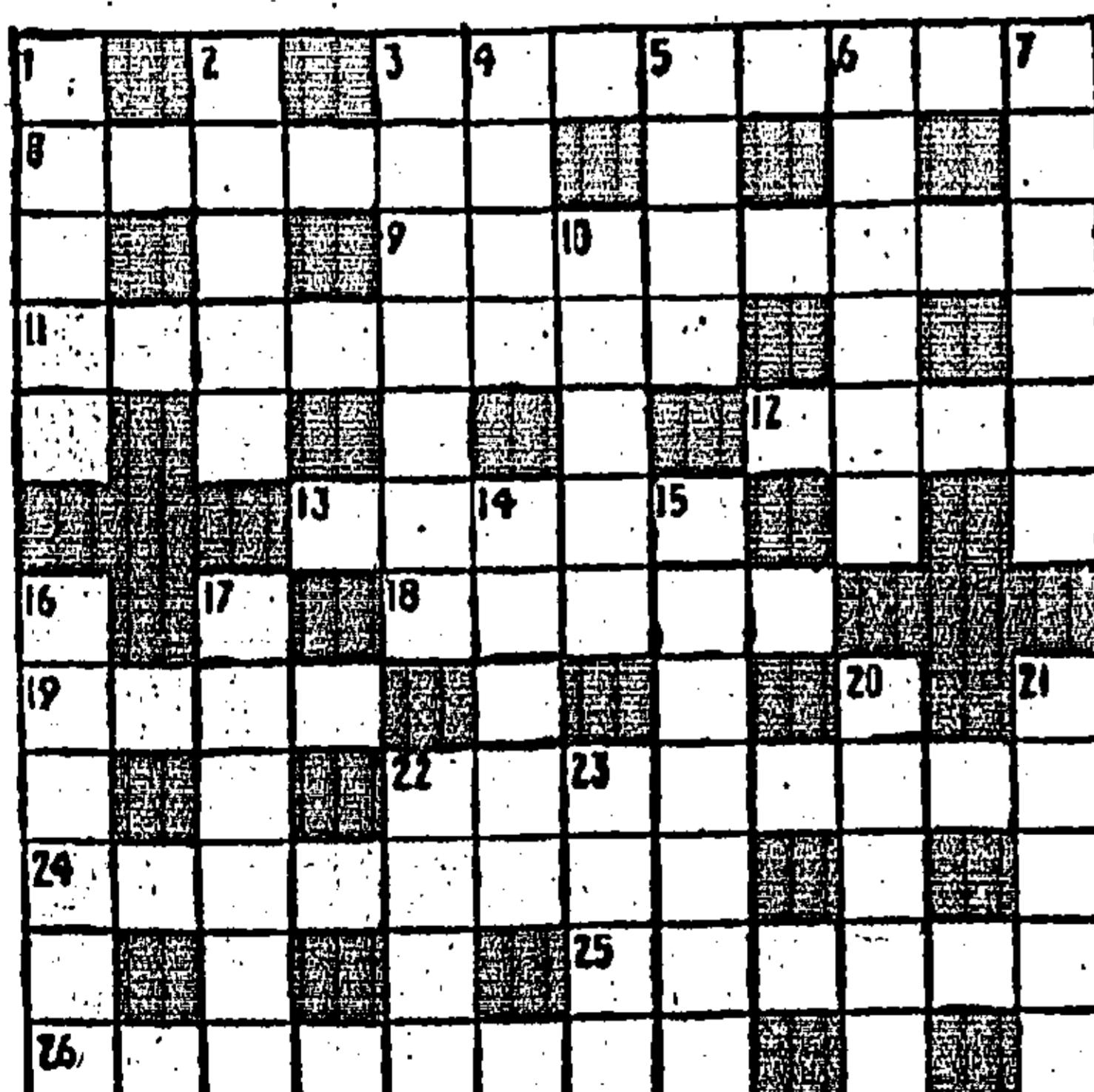
Demands for revision of what is popularly called the "Oder-Neisse line" are expected to be linked with another new German campaign for a return of the Saar to German control.

The formal incorporation of West Germany into the Western group of nations and her re-armament with them will give powerful stimulus to the leaders of all the main political parties

### TRUMP CARD?

The "Oder-Neisse" line was established under the Potsdam agreement of July 1945, signed by Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union. But the Potsdam declarations said that the final frontier should be subject to settlement in the Peace Treaty.

### A British Crossword Puzzle



**ACROSS**

- 3 Chars (8)
- 8 Cosk (6)
- 9 Shrink (6)
- 11 Exhibits (8)
- 12 Chime (4)
- 13 Manufacturing apparatus (5)
- 18 Feminine name (5)
- 19 Formerly (4)
- 22 Insurgent (8)
- 24 Suggested (8)
- 25 Aver (6)
- 26 Soldierly (8)
- 27 Tolerate (5)
- 28 Fruit (5)
- 29 Withdraws from (7)
- 30 Congulate (4)
- 31 Grooves (4)
- 32 Dive (6)
- 33 Determined (6)
- 34 Fresher (5)
- 35 European river (6)
- 36 Swiftly (7)
- 37 Gun (6)
- 38 Educational establishment (6)
- 39 Drain (5)
- 40 Avarice (5)
- 41 Ditch (4)
- 42 Rend (4)

**DOWN**

- 1 Tolerate (5)
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- 3 Withdraws from (7)
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**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.** — Across: 3 Director, 7 Nurse, 8 Benefice, 10 Instil, 13 Capital, 15 Robe, 17 Tapered, 18 Avenger, 20 Dony, 21 Disused, 26 Aeritic, 27 Inklate, 28 Ruted, 29 Suggests. Down: 1 Antic, 2 Grasp, 3 Dabit, 4 Even, 5 Tidier, 6 Reeled, 9 Elated, 11 Naive, 12 Tinny, 14 Lariat, 15 Recur, 16 Beret, 18 Admits, 19 Endling, 22 Soers, 23 Sally, 24 Doubt, 25 Rico.

### Rescue Trains Trapped By Heavy Snowfall

Buenos Aires, June 16. Three emergency trains were today reported to have been trapped by snow when going to the aid of a fourth train blocked in Patagonia, about 100 miles south-west of here.

A radio message from the first convoy stated that four passengers who tried to break through the snow are missing.

Blankets and food have been dropped by air to the stranded trains.

The first train was blocked in the Comodoro Rivadavia territory. — Reuter.

### British Argument At Hague

In a recent exchange of notes with the Western Powers on how to reunite Germany, the Russians made it clear that they regarded the present frontier as fixed. The Communists in East and West Germany claim that on a new world war could change it.

It remains to be seen, however, whether the Russians regard eventual revision of the frontier as a "trump card" in the struggle between the Communist and non-Communist powers to include Germany in their sphere of influence.

Observers here note that the Communists who, like the Western Allies, for years preached the total disarmament of Germany, switched overnight to advocacy of an independent German national army in an attempt to persuade German public opinion that this was better than a German army incorporated in the Western group.

Revision of the German-Polish frontier in Germany's favour would have an important effect on Communist influence in Poland and the Slav world generally.

This assertion was disputed by Britain who, he said, had agreed for purposes of negotiation and without prejudice to accept the principle but only to enable negotiations for settlement of the dispute to be started out of court.

He also answered Persia's contention that Britain had not used all the local remedies before taking the case to the International Court.

Apart from the fact that this had nothing to do with the question of jurisdiction of the Court, he said, it must also be noted that the effect of the Nationalisation Law of May 1, 1951, was to prevent any recourse to the Persian courts to obtain compensation. — Reuter.

**COUNT ON U.S.**

The Soviet leaders would have to weigh most carefully the advantages and disadvantages of disturbing their hold over the Slav peoples in exchange for a possibly insecure "deal" over the Oder-Neisse line. In doing so, they would probably remember the Soviet-German non-aggression pact of 1939.

The present West German right-wing coalition of Christian Democrats, Free Democrats and German Party seems confident that West Germany, in her newfound alliance with her former Western enemies, is in her best position yet to secure a reversal of the provisional Potsdam decision. These politicians count on American support.

Many American officials in Germany believe that when the Western group has built up a truly powerful "position of strength" in Western Europe, chiefly Germany, the Russians will not only retire from the Soviet zone but also from the Oder-Neisse line without war. The Social Democratic opposition, however, believed that West Germany's allegiance with the West has weakened, the chances of frontier revision in the East. — Reuter.

### DEFENCE COSTS

Washington, June 16. Mr. John J. McCloy, American High Commissioner in Germany, today estimated that it would cost over \$7,000,000,000 in the next three years to create and maintain the proposed 12 West German divisions with naval and air units.

He denied that the Bonn Government had asked for \$3,000,000,000 to assist in this re-armament.

Mr. McCloy's estimate and denial were contained in a letter replying to questions by Democratic Senator Goliath, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. — Reuter.

### Lend-Lease Negotiations Resumed

Washington, June 16. Negotiations for a settlement of the Soviet Union's wartime lend-lease account with the United States were resumed at the State Department today, 10 months after they were broken off.

Resumption of the talks was requested by the Soviet Government on June 9, it was disclosed by the State Department.

They concern goods and war materials worth some \$10,000,000 which the United States sent to the Soviet Union in the Second World War.

The talks were suspended last year when the Soviet Union offered about \$200,000,000.

The United States had asked for \$800,000,000 to settle the account. — Reuter.

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### Plan To Solve Jordan Crisis Being Discussed

#### Approach To Swiss Suggested

Amman, June 16. The Jordan Cabinet and the three-man Regency Council are now considering a three-point plan which, they hope, will finally solve the crisis caused by King Talal's illness, according to well-informed quarters here today.

The plan is:

1. An approach to the Swiss authorities to enlist their aid in persuading the King to enter a Swiss sanatorium and undergo a prolonged course of medical treatment.

2. Another direct approach to the King himself, urging him to return to Jordan for medical treatment as soon as possible.

The Government would prefer the King's early return, Jordan sources stated, but if he refused would urge on him, yet again, the necessity of his obtaining qualified medical treatment outside the country.

3. To secure a combined report from medical experts on the King's condition by next May, when Prince Hussein, the 17-year-old heir apparent, now at school at Harrow, comes of age.

If this report indicated that the King's condition had deteriorated or shown little signs of improvement, the Government would request the neighbouring Arab States—Iraq, Egypt, Syria, Saudi Arabia and the Lebanon—send doctors to examine the King.

**DOCTORS' REPORT**

These doctors would keep the King under observation for a month or more.

If their reports indicated that he was still unable to take up his duties, the Government would recommend to Parliament that Prince Hussein be proclaimed either as the Sovereign or as deputy for his father.

The Government announced today that all official celebrations and feasts to mark the end of Ramadan, which falls next Sunday, would be canceled this year because of the King's illness.

The announcement called on Imams of mosques throughout the country to offer prayers for the speedy recovery of the King and added that the Government prayed for the early return of the King and the restoration of his health. — Reuter.

**NAIF IN LONDON**

London, June 16. The Emir Naif, brother of King Talal of Jordan, arrived here by air tonight from Geneva.

Officials of the Jordan Legation said that he is expected to remain for only a couple of days to see his schoolboy son at Harrow.

The Emir said at the airport, "I can give no news about whether the King is to return to Amman."

"I spoke to him for about an hour and a quarter. We chatted as brother to brother. During our conversation he did not indicate whether he would be returning to Jordan."

The Foreign Office's spokesman said that nothing had pre-

**BERLIN EXPECTS VISITORS**

Berlin, June 16. More than 1,000,000 tourists and businessmen will visit West Berlin in 1952, the U.S. High Commissioner's office predicted today.

Despite a blockade score in May, visitors totalled 86,000—3,000 more than in the same month last year. — Associated Press.

**WILFRID LAWSON as Handel**

**ELIZABETH ALLEN as Cleopatra**

**Keith Wilfrid LAWSON as Cleopatra**

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MR HARRY GOODMAN sorts out the swords which go with uniforms to be hired.

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Inside the industry itself, the experts are thinking again about commercial jets. There is self-questioning. While the Comet was still in its experimental stages, the threat to American aviation prestige did not appear so great. But the actual appearance of the jet on a world airline route has given an entirely new emphasis to America's position.

And the airline bosses are not likely to take it lying down. Already one U.S. airline is reported to be negotiating to buy Comets from Britain.

There is one snag to America buying of British aircraft. There is no international agreement between Britain and America on common safety

The majority of United States airlines operate almost entirely within the nation, along high-density and usually short-haul traffic routes. A straight jet, like the Comet, is an economic proposition only over long distances. American experts are puzzled over this point. They cannot visualise the profitable operation of a plane which carries 6,000 gallons of fuel and burns it at 950 gallons to the hour.

It is unlikely America's internal airlines will plump at this stage for a straight jet airliner. But its international airline, Pan American Airways, must certainly introduce a plane of Comet capabilities if they are to make any change-over to jets at all.

Britain has struck a neat medium in its production of civil jets. And it seems the United States will have to follow much the same policy, developing turbo-prop aircrafts for their short-haul, high-density routes and straight jets for the long-overseas hauls.

Britain's lead, considering the next present position of the Ameri-

## WHAT THE WELL-DRESSED PEER WILL WEAR

His coronation robes may cost him £400—though he could hire them for 25 guineas. And his wife's ermine?

Well, there's always rabbit.

By VIVIEN BATCHELOR

THE expense of the coronation is already looming darkly in the budget of more than one nobleman, digging hard at the ends which steadfastly refuse to meet.

According to tradition the peers and peeresses will supply much of the colour and splendour in Westminster Abbey with their ceremonial robes and coronets.

A peer who wishes to take his place in pre-war style—silk velvet robe trimmed with ermine over full court dress or ceremonial regimental uniform—must be prepared to pay £400 for his outfit. But one firm in Chancery Lane hope to make a cheaper version of coronation robes—with velvet and "mock ermine" for 150 guineas.

Many peers who have inherited old titles own coronation robes which have been preserved in the family for generations, and which, smelling only slightly of moth balls, will do duty again.

Others will hire their robes for 25 guineas.

In a workshop high above the fruit barrows of Covent Garden women are working on the borrowed plumes.

The robes have been acquired by the firm from families who have disposed of them for one reason or another.

I watched them at work on robes which once belonged to a famous earl and to a viscount.

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In the workshop above "The Garden" I found Mrs. I. Alabaster, of Barking, and Mrs. Grace Lennen, of Clapham, deciding how to refurbish some coronets which were showing signs of being in store. Some required new ermine, others new tassels.

A coronet must be made of gilt and silver gilt. It must be edged with ermine and the cap must be of crimson velvet with a gold tassel. Before the war a coronet cost about £10.

A duke has his coronet in the design of eight gilt strawberry leaves. An earl (according to the words laid down from ancient custom) must wear a coronet with "eight silver balls on points with gold strawberry leaves between." A baron must wear "a plain silver circlet with six silver balls."

Peers wear replicas of their husbands' coronets in miniature. A peeress's coronet is designed to fit on her head inside the tiara she wears at a coronation. Modern hair styles make this difficult.

The coronets and tiaras have to be balanced carefully on sleek short hair, and for the coronation many peeresses are likely to grow their hair to make the balance of their coronet less precarious.

No jewels are allowed on a coronet, though peeresses are encouraged to wear necklaces of pearls and diamonds.

At the last coronation many peeresses made do with velvet for their tiaras. Others, unable to afford ermine, used rabbit.

The Queen's own coronation robes are likely to be remastered chiefly by members of the Royal School of Needlework, who were responsible for the robes worn by her father and mother at their coronation in 1937.

The Queen's own coronation sword blade, and in the case of the Queen, will be the alteration of the partisans belonging to the Yeomen of the Guard. The partisans all bear the Royal cipher of the reigning monarch.

The cipher is engraved on the sword blade, and in the case of the Queen, will be the alteration of the partisans belonging to the Yeomen of the Guard.

The gold embroidery of the cipher on the tabards of the Yeomen will also have to be altered. It is work done by experts who have handed down their craft for generations.

Robes must be made of crimson velvet lined with white silk or taffeta and edged with miniver. Over the shoulders is a cape "furred with miniver pure and powdered with rows and bars of ermine."

The number of rows of dots on the ermine is determined by rank. A baron has two rows, a viscount two and a half, an earl three, a marquess three and a half, a duke four.

Peeresses are allowed trains, the length varying with rank. A baroness is allowed a train one yard long, a viscountess is allowed a yard and a quarter.

A peeress's robe is made up of kirtle, train and mantle.

The kirtle is of crimson velvet bordered all round with an edging of miniver. It may open back or front, but must open from the waist and widen to the ground. The sleeves of the kirtle must not be more than 8in. long.

From them fall five pippets of varying lengths and edged with miniver and white lace.

The mantle is the dress worn under the kirtle and must be white or cream, or silver brocade.

The peer's coronet is also made strictly according to tradition and rank.



HIGH above the fruit barrows of Covent Garden women are working on coronation robes which will be hired by peers who do not wish to go to the expense of buying new ones. From now until the coronation many robes will be spread out in warm, dry rooms so that the folds and creases gradually fall out. Tradition on style is rigid. The number of rows of dots on the ermine is determined by rank. So is the length of a peeress's train.



ROBES and uniforms are kept in waterproof, mothproof boxes in strong rooms under the streets of Covent Garden. Each box bears a label stating what is inside.

Many swords already made for an officer in the Life Guards costs £25. These are supplied to men receiving their commissions from the Queen. For a sword bears the cipher of the Sovereign who commissions the officer and the Queen's cipher has not yet been received by the firm.

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# MAUREEN CONNOLLY IS A GREAT CROWD-PLEASER—BUT SHE CAN BE BEATEN

Says FRED PERRY.

So much has been written, and advance notices have been so amazing, on Maureen Connolly, that I wanted to see for myself just what it is that makes her such a crowd-pleaser.

With this idea in mind we went down to Wimbledon the other day and played for a couple of hours, going through her repertoire of shots.

First thing is that she is charming and natural. I think she is just as amazed at her own success as are the experts in the game.

She has one burning desire, and that is to be the best woman lawn tennis player in the world and she is prepared to work hard enough to accomplish that aim.

So often when one plays what I call "promising Juniors" though I cannot include Miss Connolly in that category, as she has already won the United States women's championship—

one finds that they are loath to listen.

They seem to feel that they know more about it than the people trying to help them.

## AMAZING

Above all, they are not prepared to work hard enough.

## Hard-fought Victory For Vic Seixas

London, June 16.

Vic Seixas, America's top ranking tennis ace, opened his campaign pointing to Wimbledon by gaining a hard fought first round victory today in the London Grass Courts Lawn Tennis Tournament.

The 28-year-old Philadelphian won in straight sets, 6-3, 8-6 over Williams of South Africa, a vastly improved young player. However, Seixas appeared a bit sluggish in the second set in which Williams had him three times at set-point. The less experienced player fell into errors at these critical moments.

Seixas finally stormed to the net to even the score at 6-6 and then broke Williams' serve at the love and rushed through the final game.

The first day saw the Australian contingent, headed by Frank Sedgman, breeze past first-round opponents.

The top-seeded Sedgman politely swept past Brian Woodroffe (South Africa) 6-1, and 6-1. Ken McGregor, the powerful 23-year-old, beat Tony Farnell (South Africa) 6-2 and 6-1.

Left-handed Mervyn Rose took 35 minutes to eliminate Ignace Tloczynski, self-exiled Pole, 6-2, 6-1.

The two 17-year-olds, diminutive Ken Rosewall and husky Lou Hord, defeated N. Naib (India) 6-4, and 6-1 and G.D. Onkley (England) 6-4 and 6-4 respectively.

Eric Sturges (South Africa), the defending titholder, didn't waste any time eliminating A. Hamburger (England) 6-0 and 6-0.

Hamilton Richardson (U.S.) entered the second round when S. V. Mohan (India) defaulted. Richardson had been paired with Tony Trabert of Cincinnati in Doubles competition, but Trabert was a last-minute withdrawal.

Richardson said he had been informed that Trabert could not obtain leave from his duties with the U.S. Navy in the Mediterranean and would also have to withdraw his Wimbledon entry.

Most favoured players advanced into the next round but

## BELGIANS PLAY THE GOOD HOST

Brussels, June 16.

Belgium beat Sweden by three matches to two in the quarter-finals of the Davis Cup European Zone here today.

Starting the day with a decisive 3-0 lead, Belgium lost the remaining two singles.

Torsten Johansson beat Jackie Brantick 6-1, 6-3, 6-2 and Sven Davidson beat Philippe Washer, who retired injured after three sets. The Belgian was leading 7-5, 6-1, 6-8 at the time.

(London Express Service)

## Grandslam Homer Wins For Giants

New York, June 16.

Bobby Thomson repeated his pennant-winning home run of last October, when he slashed a grand slam homer into the upper deck in the last of the ninth inning today to give the New York Giants an 8-7 victory over the Cardinals.

Thomson, ill in his last 17 times at the bat, lashed out the Giants' fourth homer of the day, but it came at a time that they seemed doomed to defeat.

The Cardinals had rallied to go ahead 6-4 in the seventh and had a 7-4 lead after their ninth.

In the only other game played today, the Phillies edged the Pirates 5-4, despite homers by Ralph Kiner and George Strickland. Philadelphia scored the winning run in the seventh inning when Richie Ashburn opened the frame with a triple and came home on Granny Hamner's fly ball to the centre.

Custom decrees that the happy batsman shall stand a round of drinks for the rest of the team. Thereby hangs a tale, graphically related by Billy.

That evening, when the celebration refreshments arrived, Billy rose from his hotel lounge-chair to pay. He took the bill from the waiter, but, after one glance, collapsed to the floor.

Roars of laughter came from the merry gathering. Giggling, they told one another, Billy had fainted at seeing the size of the bill.

Not until he had been down several minutes did they realize he had been seized with sudden and violent cramp, the result of a six hours' vigil at the ticket office.

## THE SCORES

New York, June 16.

National League baseball scores today were:

New York Giants 8, St. Louis Cardinals 7.

Philadelphia Phillies 6, Pittsburgh Pirates 4. Associated Press.

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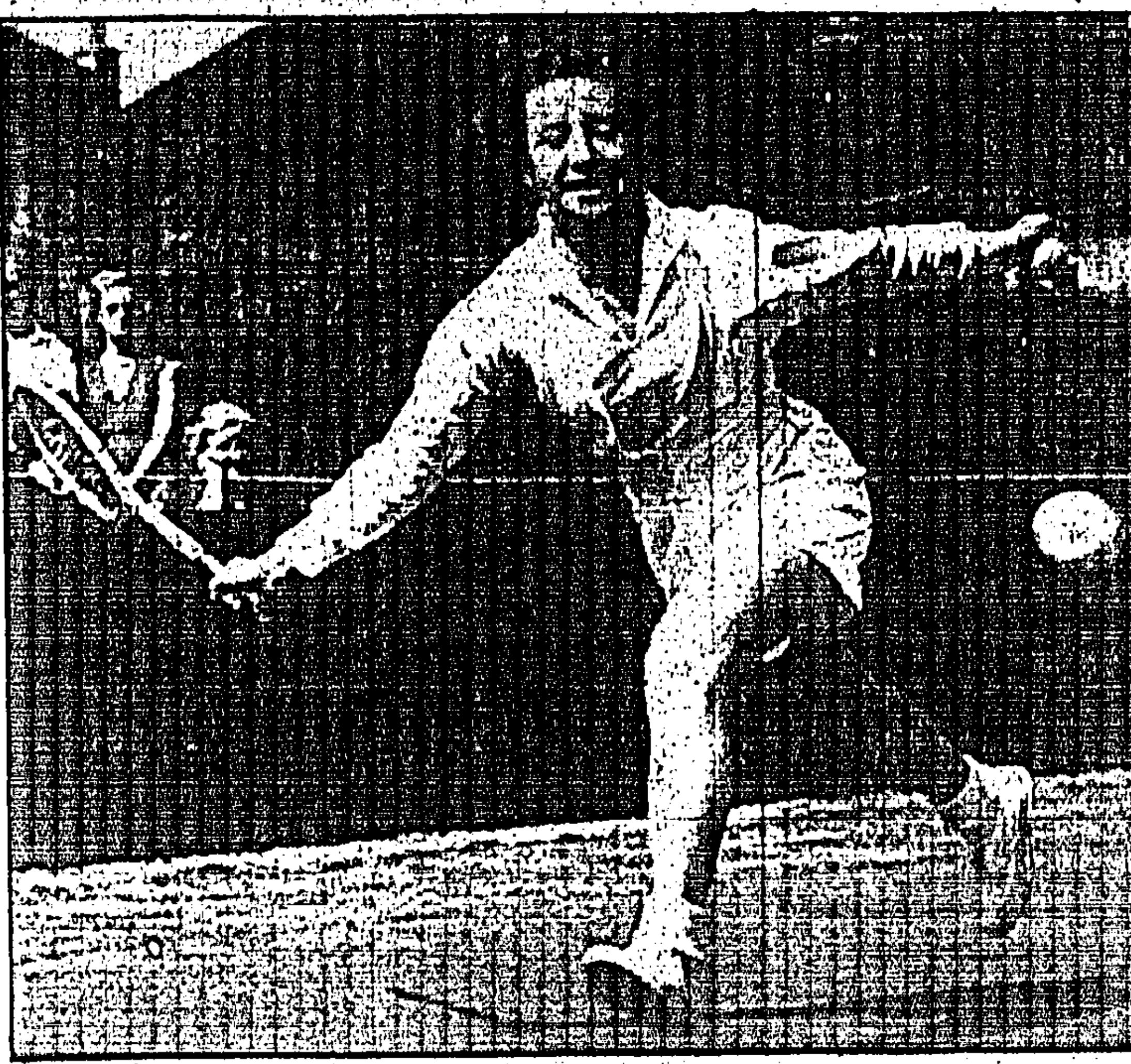
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MAUREEN CONNOLLY — "a magnificent youngster," says Fred Perry. — Express Photo.

## Denis Compton's Column

# Pupil's Century Soothed Mankad

Most disappointed Indian in Leeds on the Thursday morning of the First Test was Vinoo Mankad, the world's best left-arm slow bowler, whose hopes of playing in the Test had been raised, then shattered.

Most delighted Indian in Leeds on Thursday evening was Vinoo Mankad. Indirectly he had helped his country to recover from a disastrous opening.

Vinoo's gloom turned to joy with the magnificent maiden century in first-class cricket of the team's "baby," 20-year-old Vijay Manjrekar—the boy he taught under an Indian Board of Control coaching scheme.

Young Vijay, upon whose eagerness to learn I commented a fortnight ago, is remarkable for a phlegmatic temperament such as stamps the batting and bowling of his mentor.

Even so, Billy's colleagues still prefer to adhere to their original version.

In passing, Billy was omitted from both the remaining Tests.

## ICES FOR ALLAN

Test colleague Allan—Albert John—really, but he prefers Allan—Watkins will never forget some of his experiences last winter in India.

His most vivid memory springs from a match at Ahmedabad.

So excited were the spectators that every time a batsman hit a four or a bowler took a wicket dozens of nippers would dodge the police cordon and rush on to the field either to garland the hero of the moment with flowers, thrust ananas, sweets or other presents into his hand, or clamber round him for autographs.

Once, when Allan knocked a stump out of the ground, an appreciative youngster dashed up to him and pushed an ice-cream into his palm.

Never at a loss, Allan ran up and bowled the next ball still clutching the ice-cream in the other hand. Then he preferred it to the umpire. Gift accepted, and devoured, with alacrity.

(London Express Service)

## STRAPPED UP

Cases of cramp are not infrequent after a hard day in the field and sometimes I wonder at those who believe that bowlers can never be given too much work.

Ray Smith of Essex, who bowled some 90 overs in two consecutive days recently at Romford, waxes eloquent on this subject.

Some years ago, when he and cousin Peter bore the brunt of the Essex attack match after match, the county secretary received a letter of complaint which ran:

"It's about time Essex gave somebody else a chance to bowl. Those greedy Smiths won't allow anyone else to get near the ball."

Ray's comment is: "If only that chap knew how a bowler's feet ache some nights!"

Recently, when Ray took six for 80 against the Indians, he was strapped from knee to waist. He had to bowl himself out of a badly strained groin.

A parallel is that many batsmen have to bat themselves out of lean spells. Discussing the Second Test against India which starts at Lord's on Thursday.

Ikin, who is one of the 12 from whom the England team will be chosen today, had a recurrence of the basic trouble which kept him out of the Test series last season and he was unable to field when Somerset batted at Old Trafford here.

He received treatment from the Club masseur and is to undergo further treatment tomorrow. Ikin felt pain when turning quickly for a fourth run during his innings. — Reuter.

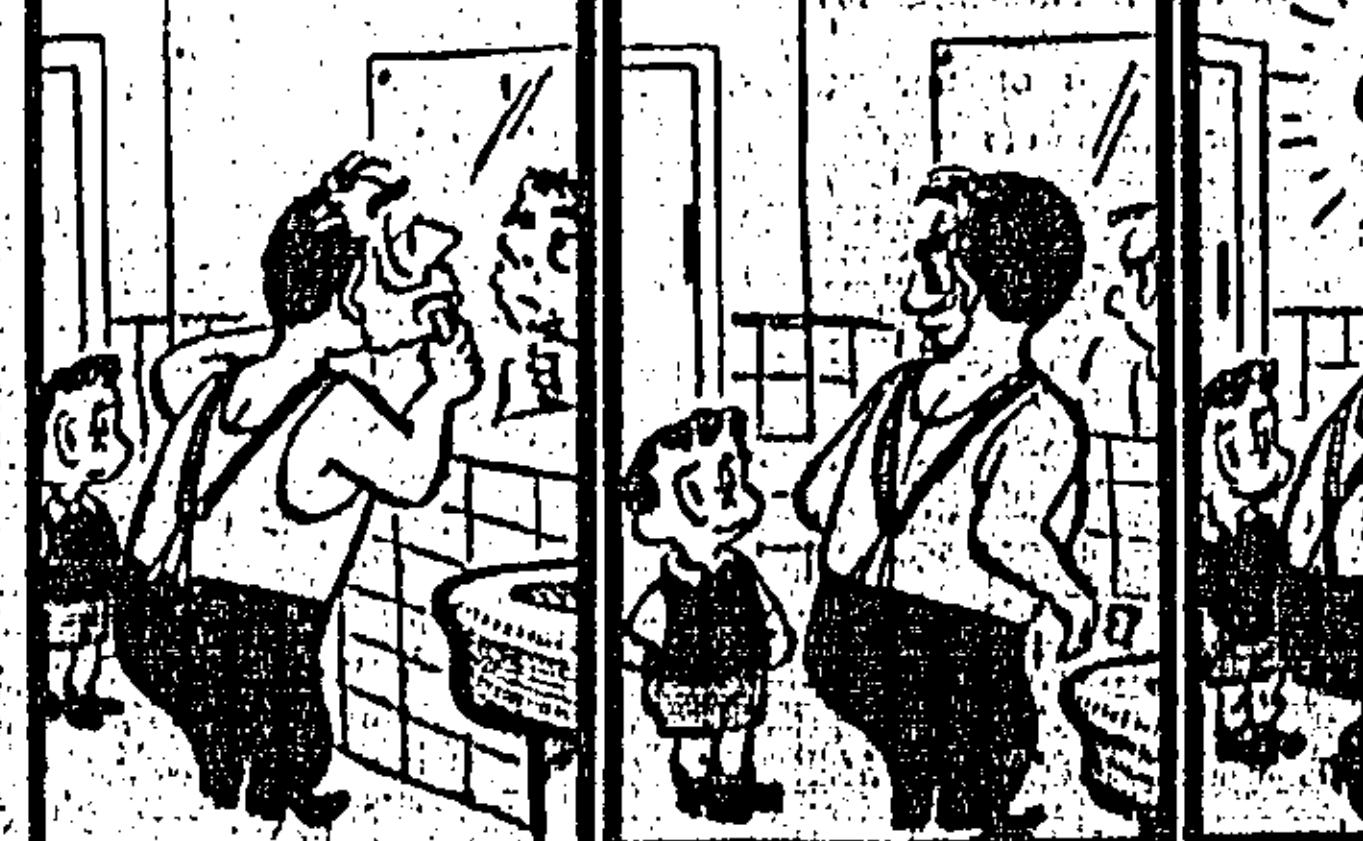
## IKIN WILL NOT BE FIT FOR LORD'S TEST

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## THE GAMBOLS



# Mankad Notified That He Will Be Wanted For Remaining Tests

London, June 16. Vinoo Mankad, the Indian all-rounder, who has been released by the Lancashire League club, Haslingden, for the Second Test, has been notified officially by the Indian team manager, Pankaj Gupta, that he will be wanted for the remaining Tests against England.

Haslingden have already indicated that they are prepared to release Mankad for these games.

Either S.G. Shinde, the Indian leg-spin bowler, who played in the First Test, or the all-rounder, C.T. Sarwate, is expected to be loaned by the touring team to Haslingden as Mankad's substitute this weekend.

The Second Test starts on Thursday.

Commenting on the decision, Mankad said, "This ends a lot of worry for me. I only hope I do well and justify the confidence placed in me."

He added that the terms for his appearances in the Tests will be "mutually agreed." — Reuter.

## INDIANS AT BELFAST

Belfast, June 16. The Indian touring team, easy winners over Ireland in Dublin last week, were strongly placed when play closed on the opening day of their second match against Ireland here today.

Ireland, with seven wickets left, were then 220 runs behind. The match ends tomorrow.

The Indians gave the Belfast crowd a fine display of batting. First wicket-keeper Madhao Mantri reached an elegant 80 and then all-rounders Dattu Phadkar, using many unorthodox but nevertheless entertaining strokes, raced to a century in 100 minutes.

Phadkar reached the boundary only seven times, but he hit the bowlers to all parts of the field.

Despite several short showers of rain, which drove the players for shelter, the pitch was never anything but docile.

After India had declared at 288 for eight, Ireland quickly ran into trouble, losing three men for 25, but opening bat Bargin found a partner to stay in Wilson and the pair carried the score to 60 for three by the close. — Reuter.

5. Men's 200 yards Breast Stroke (Inter-Club) — Lau Lung-hang (Ching Wing); Lau Man-bin (Lai Tsun).

3. Men's 400 yards Free Style (Inter-Club) — Cheung Kin-man (Lai Tsun); Leung Hin-yuen (Lai Tsun); Woo Mo-lak (Ching Wing); Lau Hoza-Pereira (VRC).

4. Women's 50 yards Back Stroke (Inter-Club) — D. Pires (LRC); P. Addington (LRC); Ng Ngan-ling (Lai Tsun); Wong Chor-wan (Ching Wing).

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7. Women's 400 yards Free Style (Attempt on Colony record) — Cynthia Eager, accompanied by Chan Ching-nui (Ching Wing).

8. Men's 100 yards Back Stroke (Inter-Club) — M. Wilson (LRC); Tang Hung-kwong (Lai Tsun); Leung Ho-ling (Ching Wing); M. Gutierrez (VRC).

9. Diving Exhibition.

10. Women's 200 yards Breast Stroke (Attempt on Colony record) — Kwok Kam-ting, accompanied by Chan Sin-yeo (Lai Tsun); Poen Sin-cheo (Lai Tsun); L. Butcher (LRC).

11. Women's 4 x 50 yards Free Style Relay (Open to all Clubs) — South China, VRC, Lai Tsun and LRC.

12. Men's 2 x 100 yards Medley Relay (Open to all Clubs) — South China, VRC, Fortuna and Lai Tsun.

## Close Of Play Scores In County Cricket

London, June 16. The following were the close of play scores of County cricket games today:

At Lord's — Yorkshire 308 for six declared (Young five for 137) and 18 for no wicket, Middlesex 277 (Thompson, not out 140).

At The Oval — Surrey 250 for seven declared and 200 for no wicket (Fletcher 83). Essex 118 (Laker five for 50, Alec Bedser four for 49).

At Farnham — Northamptonshire 277 for four (Brookes 74, Jokerman 77). Hampshire 154 for nine declared (Nutter four for 47).

At Hove — Cambridge University 368 for four declared (May 107, Tordoff 60). Sussex 259 for seven (Cox, not out 121).

At Oxford — Warwickshire 348 for four declared (Horner 140, Ord, not out 143). Oxford University 113 (Weeks four for 35) and 24 for one.

At Manchester — Lancashire 308 for five declared (Washbrook, not out 211). Somerset 104 for six.

At Neath — Leicestershire 107 and 126 for five. Glamorgan 324 (Emrys Davies 91, Watkins 107).

At Nottingham — Nottinghamshire v. Derbyshire: Nottinghamshire 249 for five (Hindstaff 110, Martin 122).

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# TURPIN AGAIN

## The 8th: 'Stop Apologies' The 11th: 'Stop Fight'

By PETER WILSON

Randolph Turpin has done it again. He is now the Middle and Light-heavyweight Champion of Great Britain after scoring a crushing victory over Don Cockell, at the White City. He punished Cockell so severely that the referee had to stop the fight in the eleventh round.

Turpin, the 24-year-old brown killer from Leamington, brought 50,000 roaring spectators to their feet as he knocked Cockell off his feet for the second time in that 11th round.

Yet, in the eighth round, the referee had stepped between the two men after an exchange of courtesies and said: "Stop unglaring to each other."

Cockell towards the end was in a sad and sorry way. - A vertical cut had been opened over his left eye. For the last quarter of an hour he had a lacerated mouth.

Now, in the 11th round, his eyes were like those painted on a cheap doll's face and his legs were those of a doll too—a doll from which half the sawdust had been knocked out.

It had been punched from him by this staring, case au luit youth, whose fists are mahogany mallets beneath the black gloves.

And when can unclench the latching and the dynamite when he wills it.

Cockell danced a drunken jig backwards across the ring until the ropes jerked him upright and Turpin slid him covariance across the canvas.

Now those two terrible fists were poised ready to deliver what could have been fatal injury to the game white man who was at the end of his rope in every sense.

Mostly, intelligently, and swiftly Referee Tommy Little sprang between them and guided Cockell across the ring back to his corner as you guide a blind man across a dangerous street.

Turpin, who last year held the world's middle-weight championship for 64 glorious days, had now added Cockell's British cruiser-weight title and the vacant Empire one to the British and European middle-weight championships which he already held.

### THE ROUNDS

By my reckoning there was only one winner from the very first bell. Of the ten completed

### HKRA SHOOT

The regular Sunday Practice Shoot of the Hongkong Rifle Association was held at Kai Tak on Sunday. The weather conditions were ideal for good shooting and several high scores were returned. The following are the spoon winners:

Sit(a) Class "A"—M. Le-Var 86; Class "B"—F. Harding 83; Class "C"—Hunt 70.

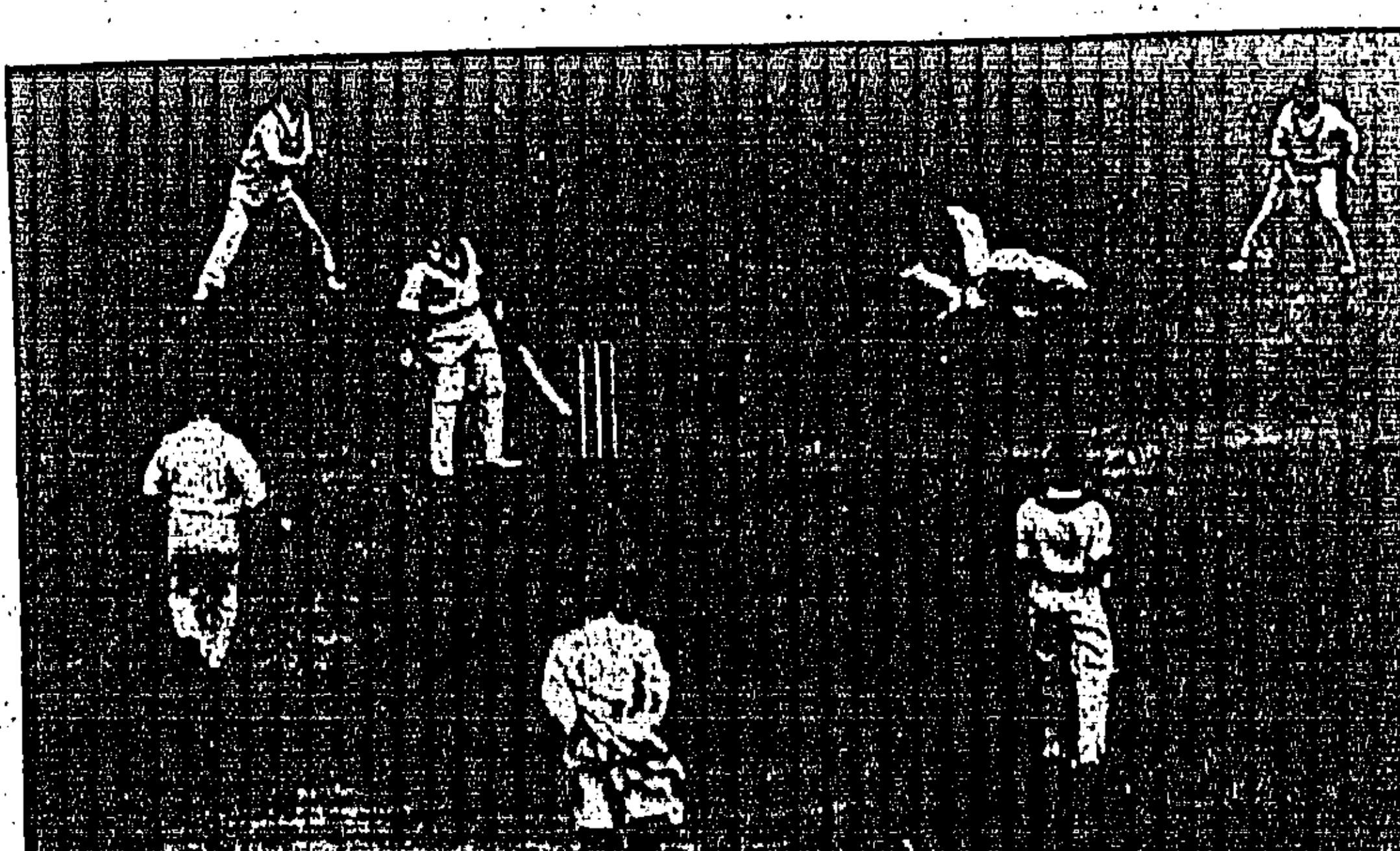
SR(b) Class "A"—A. F. Xavier 90; H. A. Souza 95; K. Vivins 95; Remedios 92 (Handicap winner); Class "B"—L. A. Lasa 89; Class "C"—Galvez 78; D. Fuller 78 (Handicap winner).

The next practice will be held at Kai Tak Range on Sunday, June 29. Firing to be of 300, 500 and 600 yards.

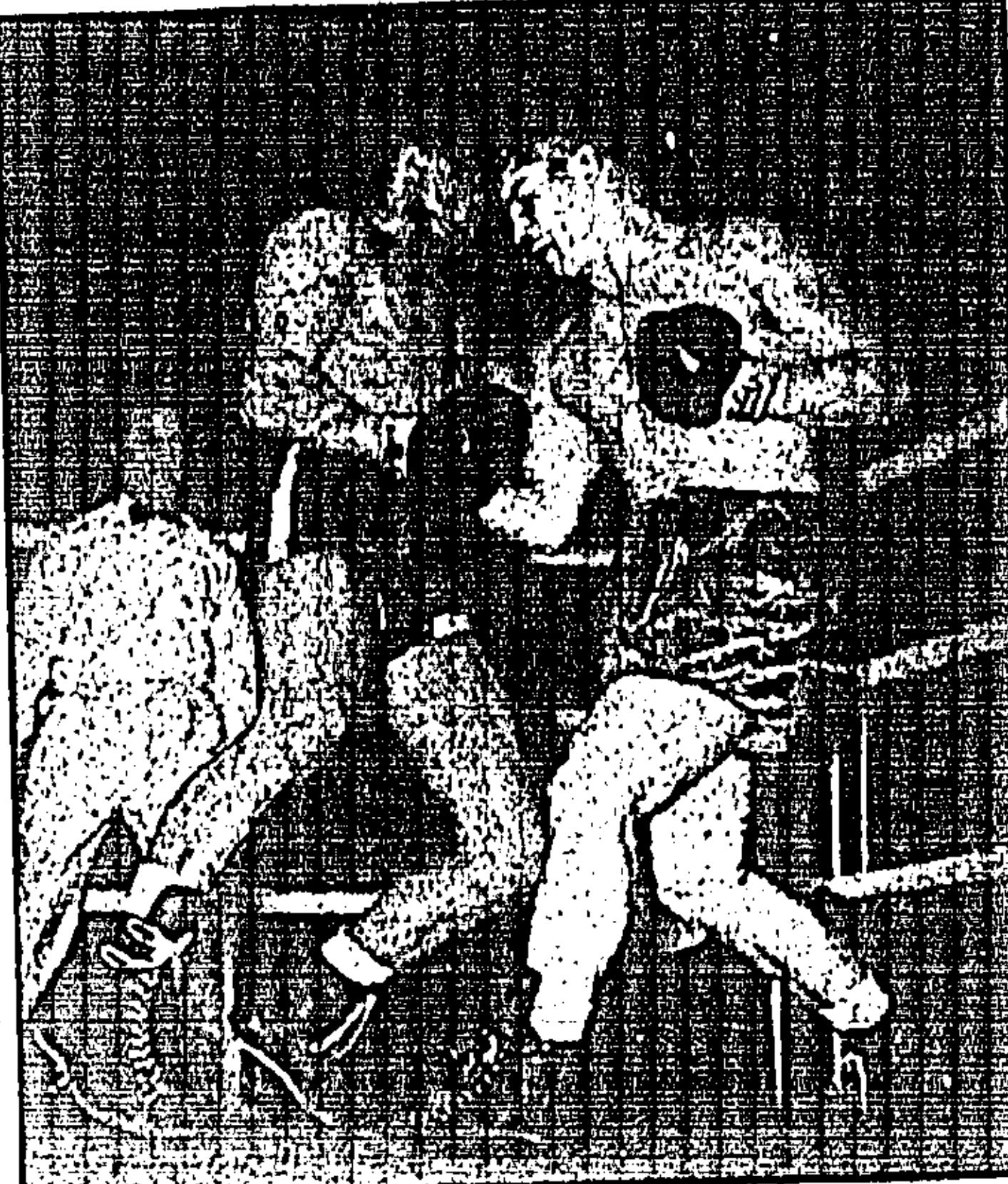
### Japanese Swim Record Set

Tokyo, June 16. Japanese Olympic swimming trials produced a new 100-metre breast stroke record for Japan, officials said today. They said that Makoto Takeuchi was clocked at 1 min 10.4 secs.—0.4 seconds faster than the record established in 1950 by Kusihida Ueda. —Reuter.

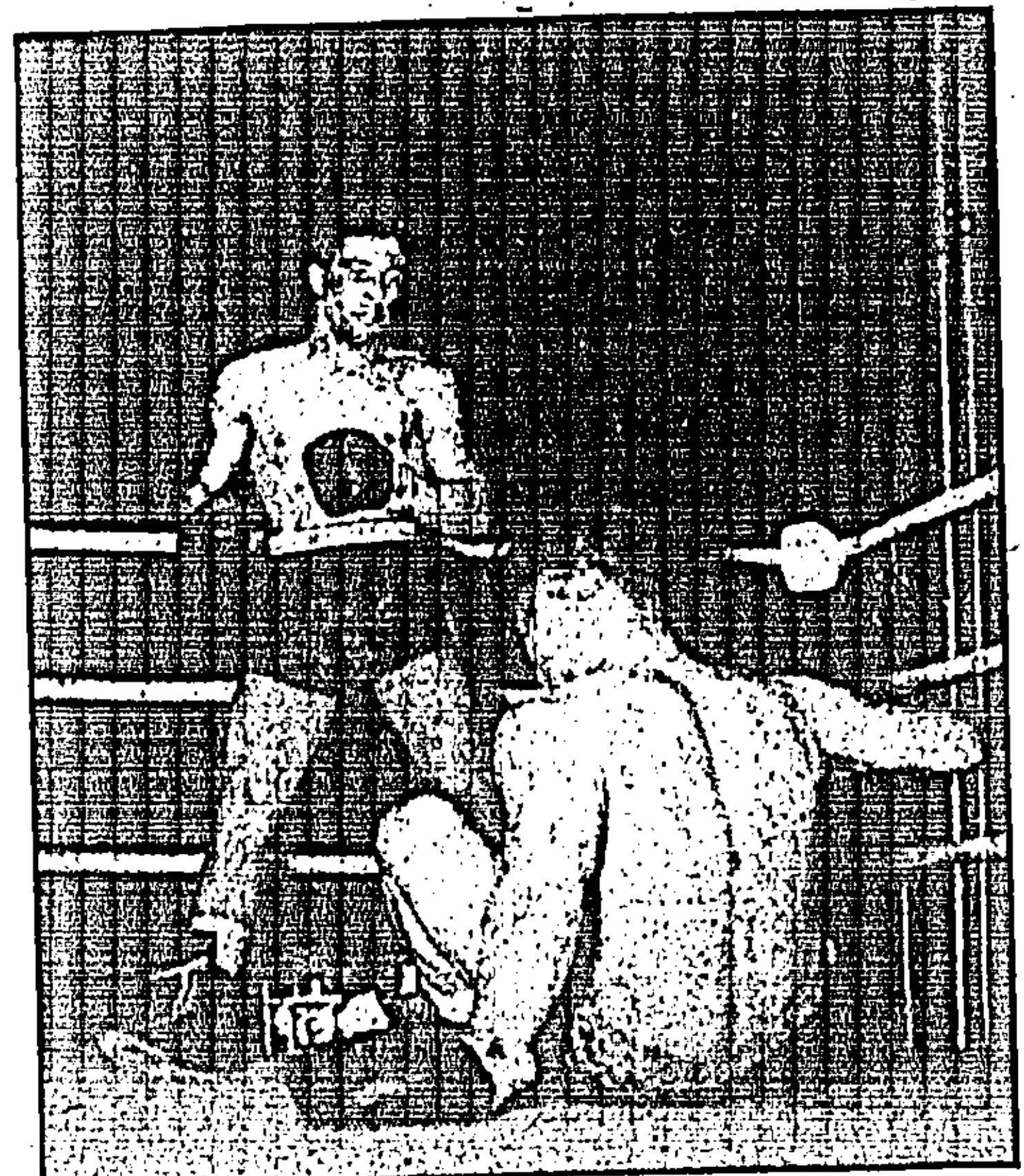
### SPECTACULAR SAVE



A spectacular save by Evans off a ball from Trueman as India batted first in the Test at Leeds. — Central Press Photo.



Randolph Turpin beat Don Cockell in their fight for the British Light-heavyweight Championship at the White City on the evening of June 10. This picture shows Turpin (left) and Cockell during the fight.



Here Cockell is down for a count of eight in Round Three. The referee stopped the fight in the 11th round. — Central Press Photo.

### WINDERMERE CONQUERED

Ambleside, Northwest England, June 16.

Philip H. Rixing, aged 42, who swam the Channel from France to England last year in 16 hours and 55 minutes, today became the first person ever to swim the double length of Windermere, England's longest lake.

Turpin's reaction was immediate. He got the heavier man in a neutral corner and pummeled him so severely that I thought he would have gone down then. He would have, too, I believe, had the bell not sounded at the critical moment.

By the end of the tenth it was quite clear that Cockell's only hope was to land a K.O.—and that was beyond the bounds of possibility.

Then the 11th—explosion, riot, and massacre, and the inevitable end, of left and right hook which dropped Cockell for six, and the hardest left hit of all which dropped Cockell for nine before the referee cried "Enough."

—London Express Service

### The Olympic Games Again Shun Electric Timing

By HAROLD PALMER

One wonders why athletics is the one important sport in the Olympic Games that will not take full and proper advantage of the help of modern science in time and judging.

Accuracy, guaranteed to a 100th of a second, has been offered, but once again hand timing—proved so unreliable by the infallible electric timing—will be in

operation.

What is acceptable for rowing, canoeing, riding and cross-country at Helsinki is not good enough for athletics.

Does the International Federation fear the disclosure that all these years their timekeepers have been making mistakes especially sprinters

especially sprinters, look faster than they really are?

Are they afraid of the effect of accurate electrical timing, a standstill in the record book, not to mention the discrediting of old records?

The electric recording at Wembley in 1948 served to confirm general opinion that hand timing is certainly not reliable in the sprints.

There is delay in the starting of the watch dependent on the speed of the timekeeper's reaction and a tendency to anticipate the finish.

I have been able to compare the 1948 official time with those registered automatically. About 60 per cent of official times of races up to 800 metres were 1-5th of a second faster. Another 25 per cent were 1-10th of a second faster.

The rest tallied except for a very few that were slower. As at Wembley the automatic device will operate at Helsinki but only as a check on the hand-timing when thought necessary.

Once again there will be a lead wired from the starting pistol to the timing device but this time there will be a camera at the finish instead of the invisible ray.

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—London Express Service

### BRITAIN'S SPORTING WORLD IS DOING WELL RIGHT NOW

By JIM CHAMBERS

London, June 16.

Most things in Britain are going well right now in the sporting world.

Just take a look round and recall what has happened within the past few weeks.

First of all the England football team made a triumphant tour of the Continent and after playing a rough and tumble draw against Italy, defeated Austria, reckoned to be the Continent's best soccer exponents, and Switzerland.

Then Britain's track stars, tuning up for the Helsinki Olympics, showed some star Americans the way round the White City track in the British Games.

And recently a British Women's golf team defeated America to win the Curtis Cup for the first time in the 20 years' history of this international event.

On top of those successes, England's cricket team defeated India by the very convincing margin of seven wickets at Leeds after having all the worst of the pitch which was a gift from heaven to spin bowlers following rain.

**SOME SETBACKS**  
There have been a couple of setbacks, too.

British Empire Featherweight Champion, Roy Ankarah, the Gold Coast "Black Flash," lost his world title eliminator to France's Ray Fanechon who emphasised without doubt that he is the best nine-stone fighter outside America, and a worthy No. 1 contender for the world title, currently held by negro Sandy Saddler who is serving in the U.S. Army.

Ankarah, the nearest human object to perpetually motion, was outboxed, outpunched and outthought by Fanechon on the Notts County football ground where a crowd of 35,000 fans completely agreed with the verdict of referee Andrew Smythe of Belfast.

Old time England players, among them Bill Bowes, himself a fast bowler, are coaching young Fred and they reckon he will be at his peak within two years.

England's Test selection committee are certain to approach the RAF authorities for True-man's release for the Lord's game. He is at present touring Germany with the RAF team.

Two BRMs were started in the Ulster International Trophy race, and both of them were out of the race long before the finish.

The first, driven by Britain's young ace, Stirling Moss, quit after the fifth of 34 laps, and the second, piloted by World Champion Juan Fangio of Argentina, folded up at the end of the 25th lap.

Gloucestershire's Tom Graveney, that tall, upstanding batsman with the lovely strokes, and Glamorgan's stocky Alan Watkins have surely made their positions safe in future England elevens, and Peter May, the most promising batsman for many years, will certainly retain his place despite two bad failures in the Leeds match.

Denis Compton is no longer cricket's gay adventurer.

His batting has taken on a far more serious look. The Leeds match need about an hour of the old Compton to rule the impeccable length of India's best bowler, off-splintered Ghulam Ahmed. —Associated Press.

### Nine Dragons

### Table Tennis,

### Darts Results

The following are the results of monthly Darts and Table Tennis knockout competition matches played at the Nine Dragons Club last week:

Table Tennis—RAF "B" 1, CE Forces 2, RAF "A" walkover to 11. Wkrs REME "B"; Comd Wkrs REME "B" 0, HK Sig Rgt 4.

Darts—RAF "A" 4, Comd Wkrs "A" 2, Wkrs "B" 34 LAA Rgt RA "A" 2; 33 Gen Hospital walkover to 50 Fd Sgn RE "A"; Wkrs "A" walkover to 35 Fd Sgn RE "B". Matches for June 19 commencing at 7 p.m.

Table Tennis—CE Land Forces v RAF "A"; HK Signal Regt v 15 Fd Sgn RE.

Darts—RAF "A" v 33 General Hospital Basketball.

The next basketball "Knockout" competition will commence in July. Entries should be submitted to the Manager, Nine Dragons' Services Club (in writing) by June 26. There will be no entrance fee. Trophies will be presented to each member of the winning team.

LONG JUMP CHANCE

Long jumpers are notoriously inconsistent, so it is not surprising that a man not considered worthy of a place in the list of possibilities for the Olympic Games last September now has as good a chance as any of going to Helsinki.

He is Essex champion Michael Dixon now an architect assistant at Coventry.

Dixon, 23, son of a retired soldier, was born at Aldershot and went to 14 schools as he followed his father around.

While at Colchester he played outside-right for the local League club reserve team.

His first success in long jumping was when he won the National ATC championship. He held that for three years.

Leg trouble handicapped Dixon last season but this season he has already done his best jump ever, 20ft. 2 1/4 in., in the Caledonian Games, and he had another 23ft. jump for the AAA against Cambridge University.

—London Express Service

### Draw For The Olympic Soccer Tournament

Helsinki, June 16.

The draw for the Olympic soccer tournament was made today.

Turkey, Dutch Antilles, Sweden, Germany and Finland drew a bye and moved to the final round.

The other 22 teams must take part in the eliminations in which the following teams will meet:

Finland v. Brazil; United States v. Italy; Egypt v. Chile; Bulgaria v. Soviet Union; Yugoslavia v. India; Norway v. Mexico; Denmark v. Greece; Romania v. Hungary; Luxembourg v. Britain; Austria v. the Saar and Poland v. France.

At the eliminations a new draw will be made for the final round.

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### Korean Olympic Team Here

Headed by Mr. Paul J. C. Hyen, Vice-President of the Korean Olympic team, the first batch of ten Korean Olympic athletes arrived by CAT plane yesterday en route to Helsinki.

The second group of 35 members, including a woman, headed by Dr. Chay Soo Ju, will arrive on June 25.

The Koreans will participate in weight-lifting, boxing, wrestling, cycling, field and track and horse-riding. It will be the first time that Korea will be competing in horse-riding and the rider is Miss Byung-sun, a student.

Included in the group is Kim Hak-jun, who is attending the Games at the invitation of the International Football Association. Mr. Kim will officiate as a referee in football games.

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## Conscription In Ulster A Ticklish Issue

Belfast, June 16.

The Irish may soon be feuding again over whether to conscript youths in Northern Ireland into Britain's armed forces.

The issue has been a source of bitter wrangling ever since Britain first brought in conscription in 1939. Northern Ireland is part of the United Kingdom, but on many matters it has self-government. It has never resorted to conscription, even in World War II.

There are two reasons. First, the Northern Ireland Government is reluctant to start anything that might stir up the issue of partition of Ireland. The Independent Republic of Ireland, to the south, wants to end partition by absorbing the North.

The Republic attacks any action by the North which appears to be tightening Irish links with the Crown. In addition, the Republic has always claimed many of the Irish left north of the Border by partition and would condemn their compulsory enlistment in the British forces.

The second reason is the one which may force a new crisis. The Irish will volunteer in droves in wartime and fight like mad. But in peacetime they aren't noticeably keen to enlist and train for a battle that may never come.

Many here believe that the Northern Ireland Premier, Sir Basil Brooke, is about ready to grasp the hilt of conscription in order to fill the gaps in Northern Ireland's defence forces.

Mr de Valera erupted the last time the issue was raised during World War II. "You may call up our friends," his countrymen said innocently—"but how are you going to keep them in?"

Many Northern anti-partitionists would probably leap across the border, reckoning they owed no allegiance to the Crown—perhaps in sufficient numbers to wreck any scheme.

But there will be an almighty rumpus echoing round old Ireland before that stage is reached.—Associated Press.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

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At a final meeting with the Prime Minister today, Mr Wallenberg submitted his report on the steps he considers should be taken to establish the industry. Mr Holland said the report would not be made public for some time.

"Mr Wallenberg has warned us that we are entering a highly competitive field and that great care and prudence must be exercised to ensure that the capital of the industry does not exceed its productive capacity," he said.

Mr Wallenberg has been in New Zealand for two weeks at the invitation of the Government to advise on the scheme.

"Though preliminary work is going on, the main development is held up while sources are being sought for the necessary overseas capital. The Governor of the Reserve Bank is at present overseas finding out what capital is available," Reuter.

## NY Stock Exchange

New York, June 16. Dow Jones averages at the end of the stock market session stood as follows:—

30 Industrial 207.03

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—United Press.

## COPRA QUOTATION

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100 per short ton, nominal.

Cocoanut oil was quoted at 10 cents a pound naked.—United

Press.

## UK Purchases Of Wheat

London, June 16. Mr Ronald Russe (Conservative) asked in the House of Commons today for an assurance that the Government would buy all the wheat that could be got from Commonwealth countries.

Major Gwynn Lloyd George, Food Minister, replied: "We cannot, for balance of payments and operational reasons, buy our wheat exclusively from Commonwealth countries. We shall certainly continue to buy a very large proportion of our total requirements from these countries."—Reuter.

## Exchange Operation In Israel

## LITTLE EFFECT ON ECONOMY

Tel Aviv, June 16. The first half of Israel's two-week compulsory loan ended today with roughly half the country's currency exchanged and no marked adverse effects yet on the nation's economy.

The exchange of all Israeli currency for new issues and diversion into the Government Treasury of 10 per cent. of the larger bills will continue until next Monday.

Banks to date have changed roughly half the total of £115,000,000 worth of bills in circulation. Holders of the larger bills—those of £5 denomination and over—are being given receipts exchangeable later for Government bonds covering the forced loan.

Ten per cent also is being deducted from bank deposits over £50. Proceeds from the loan—expected to total £24,000,000—are to be used for economic development.

## LITTLE EFFECT

Long lines of people wait daily in front of all banks to exchange their old notes. A number of additional exchange centres will be opened in the major towns to avoid a last-minute jam.

But business during the first week of the exchange has been no better and no worse than usual. Rates on the stock exchange have varied only slightly.

A predicted run on stocks in the stores by shoppers has not developed.

The Government expects to raise some £10,000,000 from deductions from the exchanged bank notes and another £15,000,000 from bank deposits. The money is expected to come from more than 300,000 Israeli citizens out of a total population of 1,500,000.—Associated Press.

## FROM THE WEAR

Shipments of coal from the Wear overseas in the first quarter of the year totalled 108,885 tons compared with 11,170 tons in the corresponding period of 1951, and 524,350 in 1938.

There was a fall to 631,554 tons in shipments to London and coastal ports from 636,837 tons in the first three months of last year. The aggregate shipments of coal from the Wear in the first quarter was 600,403 tons, an increase of 42,292 tons on the first quarter of last year.

In the Midlands, the settlement of the several disputes in South Yorkshire caused an improvement in production in the coalfield in the week ended May 17. Leading home users are having their requirements satisfied, and it is regarded as possible that further export allocations will be made. Consignment shipments from the Humberside ports are increasing as further contracts are arranged. Large steam and mixtures form the major part of a steady demand for bunkers.

## GOOD HOME DEMAND

Home demand is strong. The railways are taking full supplies to build up reserves for the holidays, and the steel and engineering industries are taking prime and screened steams as well as a proportion of open-cast coal. Gas and electricity undertakings are filling their bunkers to enable them to meet industrial demands. The home market is taking the full production of coke; metallurgical coke is particularly active.

In Scotland large coal is not readily allocated in spite of some easing of demand. There are satisfactory movements of graded fuels. Unscreened navvies are slightly easier. Hard and gas coke breezes are offered in moderate quantities for export, and there are inquiries for hard coke nuts for shipment abroad. More hard coke is needed to satisfy the home market, but gas coke is rather quieter.

The Philante 11 will sail

Tobago across the Atlantic calling

at the Azores, Jamaica and

Bermuda, Panama and the Galapagos and Marquesas Islands.

Athol Russon and Ron Baker

and 34 crew of the crew

including two engineers from

Windsor (24) of London and

Jennifer Carlton (25), a nurse

whose home is in New Zealand.

Most of the other members of the

crew are young men.

## British Coal Exports At A Higher Level MORE EMPLOYED IN THE MINES

London, May 26. In the week ended May 17 the production of deep-mined and opencast coal totalled 4,508,700 tons, of which 258,700 tons came from opencast sites.

In the corresponding week last year the output was 3,447,800 tons, which included the Whitsuntide holiday period.

For the 20 weeks of the year the aggregate was 88,607,400 tons, compared with 80,782,500 tons in the corresponding period of 1951.

Exports during the week ended May 10, the latest period for which figures are available, totalled 40,000 tons, while bunkers amounted to 92,000 tons. In the first 10 weeks of the year exports reached a total of 3,550,000 tons, compared with 2,074,000 tons in 1951. Bunkers during the same period increased by 1,308,000 tons against 1,843,000 tons in 10 weeks of 1951. There were no imports.

Stocks increased from 18,000,000 tons to 13,800,000 tons in the week ended May 10, compared with 10,170,000 tons a year ago. Warmer weather accounted for a decline in consumption.

Man-power continued to improve, reaching 715,000 on May 10. This was 500 higher than the previous week, and 12,900 compared with a year ago. Coal-face workers increased by 600 to 201,000.

The decision of the Miners' Executive to seek a substantial increase in miners' wages has been formally communicated in writing to the National Coal Board but no date has yet been arranged for a joint meeting.

## SOUTH WALES TRADE

A strong tone continued in the South Wales coal trade, especially in high-grade qualities, which are busily engaged under contract. Only in the cheaper sorts is business quiet.

In the export section there is a good demand from France and Spain, but business with Italy and Portugal is quiet. Business with Argentina is of modest proportions. There are heavy calls on inland account.

In anthracite fuller supplies are needed to provide scope for dealing with new business. There is a ready call for washed beans, which are firm.

A brisk demand for smaller household nuts keeps the tobacco firm. Export demand absorbs the production of best machine-made cobbles, and personal shipments account for good support of lower-graded commodities.

## INDUSTRIALS

Comet 14,470 2,000 14,152

Hope 17,300

IHC Land (R) 13,750 1,411



JOHN CLARKE'S  
CASEBOOK

Crime In  
The Park

ROBERT is a relatively ancient mariner. If he is under-equipped in years for the part—the Board of Trade no doubt fixes a minimum—he is generously equipped with imagination and can clothe the doldrum periods of his life at sea with something like romance.

He is a tall, gaunt man, whose cheeks are hollowed into shallow cavities as rocks on the coast are eroded by the sea. His rough clothes hang about him and make you think of the tongue-twister—"around the rugged rocks the rugged rascal ran," although it is to be doubted whether Robert could run round any but the smallest rugged rock, and he is only a rascal.

He served in the Navy and nowadays receives a small pension, which he implements by, among other things, helping the speakers at Marble Arch to erect, shift, assemble and dismantle their simple rostrums.

THROUGH the performance of these duties, Robert has caught the bug that bites his employers—the gift of eloquence. When they are gone, he mounts their rostrums, borrows what is left of their audiences, and treats the crowd to memories of his life at sea.

And the crowd, instead of dwindling, grows. The speeches that he makes have, like the best modern writing, no beginning, no middle, no end. Unlike the best modern writing, they have plenty of humour. The crowds love them.

THE other evening, Robert made one of his speeches. A crowd of 100 or more hung on his every word—hoping perhaps it might explain the word that had gone before. Then, abruptly, he ended and explicitly said: "Well, that's that. Now you can give me a few copper coins for the entertainment you've had."

With outstretched hand he moved into the evaporating crowd. Two men with consciences gave him money, a copper or two each; so did two women. Then a policeman came up and arrested Robert for soliciting and obtaining donations at the Hyde Park Meeting Ground, it being an important part of police work to protect the public from such direct onslaughts on their pockets as Robert had made.

NEXT morning, at Great Marlborough Street, Robert pleaded guilty to the charge. "There are previous convictions for this type of offence," a police officer told Mr. Paul Bennett, QC, the magistrate. "In 1950 he was twice bound over for it, and on the second occasion his ball was arrested." "What do you want to say?" the magistrate asked Robert. "Nothing much," he said. "Except that for the last fortnight I bin' doing jibbing, gardening on account of the fine weather."

"I don't know what you're doing amusing people with your stories. If you're a jibbing gardener," the magistrate said.

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"He has no fixed address, sir," the gaoler said pointedly.

"No time to pay," the magistrate said.

Robert limped out. No one had mentioned what the alternative to paying the fine promptly might be. No doubt someone would later. It would have to be made clear to him that crime, this sort of crime anyway, did not pay.

Terrorists Fire

Factory

Singapore, June 17. Terrorists last night set fire to the Tong Chuan Rubber Factory, 12 miles north of Johor Bahru. Three hundred piculs of rubber were lost. The factory is owned by a Singapore Chinese.—Reuters.

CROMYKO'S NEW APPOINTMENT

Even The  
Reds. Don't Know  
The Answer

(OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, June 16. Usually well-informed Communist sources in London can give no complete explanation of the appointment of Andrei Gromyko as Ambassador to London.

American comment this week-end has underlined that Mr. Gromyko may have been appointed in order to exploit, for the benefit of the Soviet Union, the growing peace-mindedness of Mr. Aneurin Bevan and his Labour Party following.

But British Communist sources are still denouncing Mr. Bevan and the Labour Party and all its leaders. Mr. Bevan himself is particularly difficult for the Stalinists to accept as he has demonstrated his friendliness towards Marshal Tito.

The central direction of the British Communist Party takes its orders from Paris. There is a spasm of uncertainty here about what should be the correct viewpoint for the comrades.

The British Communist Party reflects French Communist tactics and these are at present uncertain and contradictory.

When M. Billoux wrote in May his now famous article in the "Cahiers du Communisme" calling for more violent revolutionary action the British party followed the same lead.

Then came the Paris riots, the arrest of Jacques Duclos, the French Communist No. 1, and the first signs of an effort since the war to round up the French Communist Party.

In Paris the Communist leadership has apparently reacted hurriedly by switching its line once again. M. Billoux's remarks are entirely ignored, and the latest pronouncements from Andre Marty (Secretary-General while Duclos is under arrest) are all friendly to co-operation with the peace partisans and whatever non-Communists can be persuaded to follow-travel.

The revolution is abandoned again—back to peace and deception.

AT A LOSS

So the British Communist Party is even more at a loss and waiting for a clear direction.

Appointment of Mr. Gromyko to "The Embassy"—as London Communists call it—is taken by some British Communists as the opening of a new era of friendliness and cultural co-operation.

Other Communists point out that the United Nations is now not worthy of Mr. Gromyko's attention so he has been appointed to London merely as an insult to the Security Council. It does not mean any change in Soviet policy, they say.

British Foreign Office comment is correct and official. The appointment of Mr. Gromyko is welcomed. And, unofficially, the change is regarded as a very good sign.

A number of matters, such as the Austrian treaty, have been delayed because of the low ranking and lack of independence of the Soviet Ambassador in London.

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The Black Watch Arrive In Hongkong



Estimated Cost Of  
Rebuilding West German  
Military Forces

Washington, June 16. Mr. John McCloy, US High Commissioner for West Germany, told Senators that rebuilding West German military forces in the next three years will cost more than \$7,000,000,000.

This is far less than some sources have predicted, and, in fact, is somewhat lower than the annual rate which the German Republic itself has agreed to spend in the next year, Mr. McCloy said.

Some American aid is to be contributed to ward German rearmament, Mr. McCloy said. This may be sent out of the new European Defence Community (EDC) Army.

Mr. McCloy's statements were submitted to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in a letter to Senator Gillette (Democrat, Iowa).

The committee is conducting hearings on two treaties which are part of several pacts, designed to tie West Germany into the free world defence buildup. The treaties were sent to the Senate for ratification.

Mr. James Riddleberger, head of the State Department's Bureau of German Affairs, told the committee he concurred in all McCloy's answers.

Mr. Riddleberger said Western States had assured West Germany when the treaties were ratified that "the military equipment requirements of German contingents in EDC and the economic and financial requirements of the Federal Republic of Germany will receive the same consideration from the United States as the requirements of other EDC members and those of other countries participating in the defence of the free nations."

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